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Merry Christmas

SCHOOLS SEND MANY GIFTS TO WAR ZONE

BY MRS. J. E. THANE

Christmas contributions and letters from pupils of Washington township schools and a few other schools to the orphans of Queen Elizabeth of Free Belgium, the orphans of Queen Marie of Roumania, and of northern France, were gathered by Mrs. James R. Whipple of Niles npon a request bv La Loie Fuller, a Red Cross worker in those countries.

The receipts for these shipments were received Tuesday of this week and shipments were made Wednesday on the steamship Merchant. Mrs. Whlpple was on board the ship when the shipment was made. The goods will go directly to the consuls of these countries in London, from which center they will be distributed.

The wonderful generosity of the school children of Washington township deserves recognition. It was most interesting work visiting the various schools and explaining what was needed and later collecting the letters and donations.

The donations were in packages of from one-half pound to fourteen pounds—although one pound only was asked form any family—and consisted of beans, rice, prunes, apricots, peaches, raisins, dates, milk, tea, coffee, syrup, rolled oats, flour, baby foods, salt, sugar, jellies, peas, speggetti, almonds, walnuts, maccaroni, potatoes, onions, chocolate, and corn starch, to the amount of 1800 pounds. In addition every sort of garment, such as hats, shoes and bedding was contributed, the total amounting to 2340 pounds.

The foods were put in large sacks for shipping and the three large boxes containing the clothing were, lined with the papers in which the parcels were wrapped. the names of the children being written on the packages. Paper and string are both needed there.

These food donations came from everyone of the schools in Washington township. The Christmas letters and greetings sent numbered over 4000, with some hundreds of scrap books and packages of thread, needles, silk, scraps, pencils and other articles. Three thousand of these were from Washingtou township, every school responding to its fullest capacity. The other thousand came from the Alameda City schools, through the efforts of Miss Hazel Abernathy, from the Melrose Heights school of Oakland and one Vallejo school, through Miss Edna Yates of Oakland, and a few came from three San Francisco schools. Miss Burke's school, Miss Bracket's school through interested pupils, the Jean Parker School through Miss Belle McBoyle, and the Haywards high school.

These letters contained a Christmas letter of greeting, a sheet of paper and a self-addressed envelope. Every possible sort of articles were enclosed, such as flags, ribbons, marbles, toys, paper dolls, small dolls, neckties, photos, descriptions of every possible place of interect and of pets of the writers and their homes and schools.

The letters were marvelously fine and the things written, the sentiments expressed, the kindness shown, cannot fail to be of lasting value. Many of the teachers gave credit the pupils for their work, and every letter was a credit to the school. These letters were placed in two large cases and franked through the mail and it is planned to have the return letters franked through in exchange.

Whenever any replies may be received the fact will be published and the letters delivered. The troubles in the war zones may prevent replies being made soon and may prevent any replies, but if any are made they will be delivered unless lost enroute.

The permanent committees to attend to the shipping of any donations made for these countries are: Mrs. W. H. Ford, Mrs. J. R. Whipple, Mrs. N. A. Dickey, Mrs. J. E. Thane, Mrs. George Hudson, Mrs. George MacRae.

Any articles sent to any member will be shipped as soon as two or more crates can be filled.

Four large boxes filled with a splendid assortment of clothes and food stuffs were collected, packed and shipped on Monday of this week, under the personal direction of Mrs. W. H. Ford, Mrs. N. A. Dickey and Mrs. George MacRae.

These goods are stored in and shipped from the MacRae store room opposite the post office, Niles.

Father Barron Will Coach Soldier Baseball Team

The Rev. Father S. F. Barron, who was formerly priest of Holy Ghost church at Centeraille, but who is now at Camp Lewis, Washington, is a very busy man, and is giving considerable time to entertainment affairs of the soldiers. This is in keeping with his work while he was in Centerville. where he was an enthusiastic worksr in assisting the young peoples church sociaties in promoting their entertainments and social affairs.

Rev. Barron is chaplain for the 348th, and in addition to his religious duties, he will coach the baseball team, which it would seem he is very capapble of doing, judging from the fact that he played professionai baseball at San Matco, Redwood City, Healdsburg and San Francisco while a student at Sacred Heart College.

The F. E. Booth Cannery is shipping 25,000 cases of canned goods daily, the greater part being shipped to New York. A contract of furnishing the government with 10,000 cases of canned tomatoes is one of the big orders and delivery on most of this has been made.

J. S. Cardoza sold his ranch on the Irvington road last week and is now living in the Yates residence on the Newark road, which he recently purchased. He also recently purchased a Kissel Kar.

Well Known Woman Called By Death

The death of Mrs. John Blacow, which occured at her home in Centerville on Sunday, December 9, marked the passing of one of Washington township's oldest citizens and the mother of one of its best known families, who have figured prominently in its offairs for nearly half a century.

Mrs. Blacow, whose maiden name was Sophie Rathke, was born in 1833, and had she lived until Friday, December 14, would have reached her 84th birthday. She was a native of Germany and came to America when a young girl, making the journey across the plains to California in 1851.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Blacow was blessed with a family of eight children, five of whom attended the funeral, which was held on Tuesday, December 12, when the remains of the loving and devoted mother were laid at rest in Irvington Cemetery.

They are: Mrs. Theodore Vandevoort of Lassen county, Mrs. Alice Deal of Madero county, Mrs. Anna Chase of Butte county, H. E. Blacow of Fresno county, R. F. Blacow of Pleasanton, F. W. Blacow of Centerville and Milton Blacow. Two sons, Charles and Joseph, are dead.

Three sisters, Mrs. Mary Reynolds of Irvington, Mrs. Agusta Trimingham of Sunol and one who lives in the East, survive her.

The Funeral was attended by many relatives and a great number of friends, many of whom had known her from girlhood.

Woman's Club Hears Talk on Conservation

The meeting of the Niles Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. William Moore on Thursday afternoon, was addressed by Miss Ethel Moore of Oakland in the interest of food conservation. She laid special stress upon the governments request urging the use of substitutes for wheat, meat and sugar whereever possible. The use of brown sugar instead of the refined was urged. She said the ngtion's that knew how to make the greatest sacrifices would be successful in the great conflict.

Fifiteen ladies attended the meeting, which was presided over by Mrs. C. B. Overacker.

The following donations to the Red Cross were reported. The I. D. E. S. Lodge, $5; the Native Daughters, $2.50; the Bridge Club, $1.40.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 27, at the home of Mrs. C. B. Overacker.

Must Have Permit to Use Explosives

Judge Ralph Richmond has been appointed license clerk of this district by the National Bureau of Mines to issue licenses to anyone having cause to use explosives of any kind. The use of dangerous explosives without such a permit makes the user liable to arrest by federal authorities.

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Some Red Cross Notes From France

In one week in November the American Red Cross lines of communication canteens in France served approximately 80,000 soldiers. At one canteen a cup of coffee was served every ten seconds for a period of two hours. The presure at of work at times was very great.

At one of the American aviation training camps in France Miss Given Wilson, with six other American Red Cross canteen workers, has started a rest station that is giving excellent service to aviation studenta and men of the engineering corps in serving hot chocolate and sandwiches. One rainy day, in an hour and three-quarters 416 men were served.

The surgical dressing department of the American Red Cross in France made and handled 183,088 surgical dressings of all kinds in October.

Work on some of the sections of Bligny Hospital for tubercular men, which will have 350 beds, was completed the first week in November. Four hundred patients in French tubercular hospitals in Paris have been cheered by gifts of food and games, and by visits from the American Red Cross visitors.

Six delegates are acting as American Red Cross agents in aiding refugees in departments of France far from Paris; and the Paris office is shipping clothing to workers all over France. Final arrangments have been made for use of a large building on the Avenue du Maine in Paris, which the Red Cross is equipping to house refugees.

The Yule Log.

The ceremony of the Yule log, which is generally agreed by authorities to be traceable to the pagan rites which were performed at that season of the year before the coming of Christianity, was nevertheless the most joyous of the ceremonies observed on Christmas eve in medieval times. — New York Mail.

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There is not in all this land a home where the rain beats through the roof, where the mother and father gather the children more closely to shelter them, but the Christmas truth is shining, "Blessed are the poor."

There is not a homeless boy who in the December night creeps out of the snow into an empty dry goods box in the alley, not a little fellow up under the rafters of the poorhouse on the county farm, not a foundling left in a basket at the rich man's door, not a shivering, tiny girl unfitted for a fight with the storm, but the new truth of the Christmas spreads its wings over them.

"When I am weak, then am I strong." Who is weak? Who is infirm upon his feet and walks with a crutch? Who is afraid of the northeast wind? Who says: "I am better; yes, I think I am getting better. But somehow I do not get my vigor back?" Who leans up against the bale of goods on the half hidden counter and knows that she came back to work too soon? Who was born blind? Who hears the unfeeling call for an iron will and has it not, for a tireless energy and confesses that he lacks it, though he prays to heaven for this force that others have?

To all of you the Christmas has its meaning. There never was a conqueror like the child in the cradle. God hath chosen the weak things to confound the mighty. For 2,000 years the history of the world's civilization has been the story of the gentler virtues, the poem, the song and the triumph of suffering well. The race is not to the swift nor the battle to the strong. Every letter of that sentence is eternally true.

The grandest things that were ever done on earth were done by men and women who had the spirit of the child. The sublimest work of the Creator is the sweet faced little child. It is everything for the child, heaven please —all harvests, all gold, all schools, all trade, all government, all the coming better times. Christmas means, "And a little child shall lead them."

Niles News

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Zehndner of Oakland, formerly of Niles, visited over Sunday at Palm Cottage with Mrs. Butt.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Klinkel, recently of Oakland, have rented the Nevis cottage and are now residents of Niles.

Mrs. J. B. Barnard has received word from Honolulu telling of the safe arrival there of her daughter, Mrs. Niles Jacobus. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobus expect to remain in the Islands for about six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Macy will entertain at Christmas time Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kochman and daughter of Sunnyvale. Mrs. Kochman is a sister of Mrs. Macy.

Miss Milicient Shinn will spend Christmas week in Ukiah at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Kasch.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickey are expecting a visit from their son of Los Angeles during the holidays. Young Mr. Dickey is attending high school in Los Angeles and makes his home with his grandmother.

Jerome Sharpe, who is a sailor on the Cruiser Marblehead, will be granted shore leave over the holidays and will be at the family reunion to be held on Christmas day at the home of his mother, Mrs. Gertrude Burtchael in Piedmont. Since enlisting, Jerome has cruised to the Sandwich Islands and to the sea ports of the west coast of South America.

Mr. D. F. Moody of Oakland, a former resident and property owner of Niles, was in town last week greeting old friends and neighbors.

Arthur Martenstein, one of the Niles boys now in France, recently wrote his mother of his safe arrival there.

Dr. and Mrs. N. N. Ashley are enjoying a visit from from the Doctor's parents of Dakota. If pleased with this section they may decide to locate here.

Mrs. E. L. Chittenden returned on Monday from San Jose, after spending a week there with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Walpert and little daughter, May, will spend Christmas day with relatives in Hayward.

Mr. and Mrs. William Moore will have as guests on Chriatmas day members of Mrs. Moore's family from Oakland and San Leandro.

Miss Grace Ellis will arrive Monday from Sacramento to spend the holidays with her parents.

Charles Overacker, Jr., who is taking a course at the University Farm at Davis, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hatch of Niles Glen will spend Cnristmas with their son, W. S. Hatch of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Nicoll, Miss Alice Mock and Miss Minnie Peters of Oakland will be guests on Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Tyson.

Miss Rosaline Hammar of Oakland will be a Christmas guest of her coussin, Mrs. C. B. Overacker.

The members of Rebekah Lodge recently sent two boxes filled with gifts to the soldier boys at the front.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rockwell, who for several months had apartments at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, are now living in Dixon.

The Red Cross meeting held at the school house Tuesday afternoon was attended by fiteen ladies, who put in the time knitting and making pajamas, four sewing machines being kept busy. A letter from Gilbert Wright, a former Niles boy, who went east a year or more ago to enter the army, but is now in a hospital in Syracuse, New York, as the result of injuries received in an accident, was read thanking the Red Cross for a knit sweater and other articles sent him.

A Red Cross worker says: "No one has any use for a 'slacker,' but are there auy 'slackers' among the women of Niles? Are there not more Niles women who can spare one afternoan a week to work for the comfort of the soldiers who are fighting our battles and giving up their lives at the front in France? You who read this ask your self this question: Are you doing what you can to help?"

Mrs. C. B. Overacker entertained a number of little folks on Friday afternoon ot last week in honor of the seventh birthday of her daughtter, Carol. The little folks spent an enjoyable afternoon and presented their young hostess with numbers of pretty presents. The children attending were, Irma Trimingham, May Walpert, Cheryl Moyer, Dorothy Smith, Margaret Moore; Lucy Shinn, Patty Shinn, Morrison Green, Marshall Green, Howard Plummer, Jack Ford, Billy Tyson: Jack Canright.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting

The regular annual meeting of tbe stockholders of THE BANK OF ALAMEDA COUNTY, a corporation, will be held at the office of the bank at Alvarado, Cal., on Saturday, January 12, 1918, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors of the corporation and transacting such other business as may properly come before such meeting.

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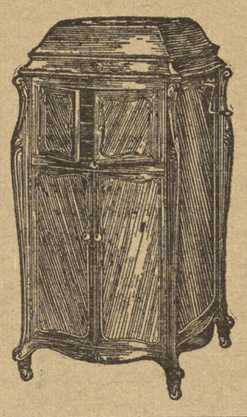

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The pupils of Niles gremmar school, under the direction of the teachers, held their Christmas exercises last night at Connors Hall.

The program follows:

CHRISTMAS WITH THE PIXIES

Cast of Characters

Louie } Orphans of the	Paul Donavan
Lena } Black Forest	Madelyn Moore
Flora, Queen of the Pixies	Gertrude Cabral
Florabel, Attendant to the Queen	Isabell Laws
Nurno, Messenger to Queen	Will Cavanaugh
Toto, Page to Queen	George Lucas
Bertold, A Pixie Scout	Harry Craft
Kris Kringle	Chester Rose
Segr't Redjacket	Henry Southern
Prince Victor, Father of Louie and Lena	Henry Fields
Princess Victoria, Mother of Louie and Lena	Margaret Cabral

Chorus of Pixies

Harriet Tyson. Lorene Thomford, Filma Lamfri
Carol Trimingham, Laura Silveira, Alice Soares, Mary Souza
Gertrude Destrella, Helen Furtado, Georgie Chalmers
Lorraine Smith, Mae Fields, Mamie Duarte, Helen Duarte
Aleine Joliff
Herald Smith, Leslie Stevens, Will Roche, Will Alameda
Roy Canright, Hugh O'Neal, Joe Machado

Tin Soldiers

Henry Southern, Clement Donovan, Ralph Pullen
Raymond Murphy, Awbrey Laws, Leland Crane, Harry Green

Sparklers Dance . Little Girls Receiving 1st and 2nd Grade

ACT I.

Cottage of Louie and Lena—Black Forest

Sleighing Song	Chorus
Christmas Carol	Louie and Lena

County Superintendent of Schools G. W. Frick, who is assisting Mr. McClymonds in organizing schools as Red Cross Units, will explain the work.

Miss Edna Tyson, Soloist . . "Joan of Arc"

ACT II.

Mirror Dell

Chorus of Pixies	
	"Then its Time You Should Call on the Pixies Queen"
Dream Song	Florabel and Chorus
Bell Song	Chorus
Kris Kringle	Kris Kringle
The Tree Song	Bertold and Chorus
Dollie's Slumber Song	Lena
"The Jack in the Box," Song	Louie and Chris
Marching Song of Tin Soldiers	
"Blind Man's Buff," Song	Toto and Chorus
"Christmas has Come and Gone at Last"—Final	Chorus

Irvington Items

Miss Leona Hirsch, who has been sick for the past three weeks, is still confined to her bed.

Lawrence Medeiros, who recently enlisted in the aviation service, has been sent to the aviation training school at San Antonio, Texas.

Miss Irene Roderick and Miss Catherine Christensen were in San Jose on Tuesday.

Mrs. F. Brackett and daughter, Anita, visited in San Jose on Tuesday,

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brewer spent Monday in San Francisco with their son, Lester.

A special Christmas service will be held in the Christian church tomorrow morning, under the direction of Reverend Smith of Berkeley, who is a member of the Pacific Theological Society. Henry Van Dyke's famous story, "The Wise Man," illustrated with stereopticon slides. Professor Davies will sing.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Durham left Thursday for Grass Valley to spend a two weeks' vacation with relatives.

At a mass meeting Tuesday evening in the interest of the Knights of Columbus War Fund, the sum of $110 was subscribed. Attorney Thomas Power was chairman of the meeting. Addresses were made by Fathers Kennedy and Costa of Mission San Jose and Judge Jno. G. Mattos of Centerville.

Centerville Notes

At the meeting of Washington Parlor, No. 169, N. S. G. W., of Centerville on Tuesday evening, three new members were initiated into the order. They are all citizens of Newark, namely. Geo. E. Stoneroad, William Mecca and Sydney A. Snow,

After the Parlor had transacted its business, which included the election of new officers, E. A. Hayes of Berkeley, a Grand Trustee of the Native Sons, made an address. Members from neighboring parlors were also present.

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Supper was served before adjournment.

Rudolph Man of Oakland visited relatives here last Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. G. W. Wright went to Oakland on Tuesday evening to meet her causin, Captain Frank Drake of the U. S. Regulars, who was on his way from Honolulu to France. The Captain is a West Point graduate and at present is with the artillery.

Walter White of the high school faculty left Wednesday for Portland, where he will spend the holiday vacation.

Washington Union High School closed Wednesday for the holiday vacation. A musical program was given by the Sophomore class. Joseph Valencia, a post-graduate course student, was awarded the prize in the Studebaker automobile essay contest. The school will reopen January 2.

George Wright, Jr., has been ill the past week with at attack of la grippe.

Mrs. Ropee has arrived here from San Diego to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. DuBois Eaton.

The next meeting of the Red Cross will be held on the third day of January. After the holidays articles will be given out to workers and the task of turning out the finished product in large quantities will begin in real earnest.

Mission San Jose

While playing at school last wesk Albert Turner fell, severely spraining one of his thumbs.

J. Melchoir of Sherman Island, spent last week here visiting his daughter, Mrs. Anna Boullet.

G. O. Darrow, who has been in the East for the past several weeks, has written from Minneapolis that he will be home by Christmas.

Mrs. Walter Rose is spending the weekend with relatives in Oakland.

Joseph Boggini and Mrs. Anna Boullet motored to Oakland Wednesday.

Mrs. Benjamin Rose and Miss Grace Rose were in Oakland last Satureay.

Miss Jennie Volponi of Livermore spent the weekend at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. W. Webber.

Miss Minnie Serpa of Milpitas is spending the week with Mrs. A. Marciel.

The sum of $50 was subscribed to the Knights of Columbus War Fund at the mass meeting held for that purpose Wednesday night.

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Mr. Swain is a graduate of the American Optical College and a reliable optician of over 30 years experience.

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Nov. 12, 1917

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—is the United States 'Usco' Tread Tire.

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The Bank of Alameda County

Alvarado : Niles : Irvington

California

For the half-year ending December 31st, 1917, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on Savings Deposits, payable on and after January 2nd, 1918. Dividends not called for are added to the deposit account and earn interest from January 1st, 1918. Deposits made on or before January 10th, 1918, will draw interest from January 1st, 1918.

J. R. BLACOW, Cashier.

Alvarado Items

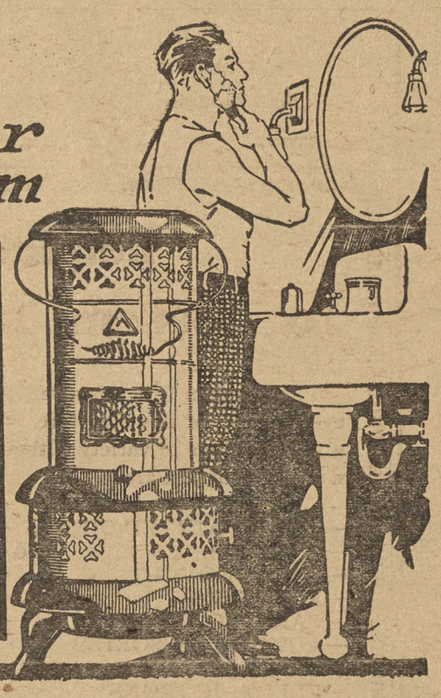
J. H. Ralph spent several days this week in San Francisco transacting business.

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. August May one evening last week and spent an enjoyable time, the occasion being in honor of Mr. May's birthday.

The bazaar held by the ladies of the Catholic church last Saturday was attended by large number of people and was one of the most successful ever given by them. The dance in the evening was also well attended and was an enjoyable affair.

Mrs. E. Lawrence entertained a number of her son's Oakland friends last Wednesday in honor of his birthday.

For your bathroom



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Christmas Excursion TICKETS

will give a splendid opportunity to

Visit the Boys in Camp

during the holidays—

If your soldier cannot spend Christmas at home—take the family and go to him—

Make this season of Peace and Good Will one long to be remembere by those called to the colors as well as by those left at home—

Tickets on Sale

December 21-22-23-24-25

between all points at 33 1-8 reduction for the round trip

Return Limit Jan. 7th

For Fares and Train Service See Agents

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Write for folder on the "Apache Trail" of Arizona

Order Your Christmas Turkey Now.---A Cambry, Niles.

David Goldstein Will Lecture at Mission

From Boston, the home of many a new movement of a civie, patriotic and metaphysical character, has come an organization known as the Catholic Truth Cuild to evangelize the man in the street—to make the Catholic Church better known and loved. This new venture was launched on historic Boston Common on the fourth of July last after its founders and thesr perambulating rostrum were blest by His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, under whose patronage the Guild or Catholic Truth was told to "proceed on its slmple, humble and triumphant way".

The Guild was founded by Mrs. Martha Moore Avery, its president and David Goldstein, its secretary, both converts to the Catholic faith.

It is with the approval of His Grace, Most Reverend Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, that Mr. Goldstein, and Mr. Corbett, are coming to Mission San Jose, wlth the Guild autovan to speak on the claims of the Catholic Church. Mr. Goldstein, has traveled throughout this country and Canada during the past four years as national lecturer for the Knights of Columbus,

Miss Izile Crane and John E. Perry Married

The first wedding of the holiday season in which Niles people are concerned took place at San Jose on Monday afternoon, when Miss Izile Crane became the wife of John Enos Perry.

The bride is the daughler of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Crane of Niles, and is well known to Niles people. The groom formerly lived at Niles, but is now living at Half Moon Bay, where he is farming.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry will make their home on their ranch and have the well wishes of friends both here and at Half Moon Bay.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all friends and neighbors for the kindness and tender sympathy and remberances in our recent bereavement, the loss of our loving and devoted mother.

Mrs. Theodore Vandevoort.
Mrs. Alice Deal.
Mrs. Anna Chase.
H. C. Blacow.
R. F. Blacow.
F. W. Blacow.

Decoto News

Antone Cordeiro has returned from Hollister and is again workking for the Willets & Burr Company.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Miller are new arrivals in Decoto, Mr. Miller holding the position of master mechanic at the Willets & Burr plant, taking the place of Thomas Kneller, who is in Los Angeles superintending construction work.

Herman George, a cousin of Assistant County Assessor Manuel George, has enlisted in the navy.

Clarence Silva, who came home on furlow to attend the funeral of his fasher, has returned to Camp Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel de Cambia are the proud parents of a new boy, born Friday of last week.

NOTICE OF HEARING APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that Monday, the 24th day of December 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M., at the rooms of the Board of Supervisors, in the annex to the Hall of Records, in the City of Oakland, has been fixed as the time and place for hearing the application of Antone Martin to obtain a renewal of a liquor license for the sale of liquor at Centerville in Centerville Election Precinct.

GEO. E. GROSS,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Dated Oakland, Cal., Dec. 4, 1917.
First published Dec, 8, 1917.

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A Pair of Gloves

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Do you know what kind of a gift a man likes? He does not care for non-service knick-knacks. He does not want foolish extravagance lavished upon him.

He likes the simple, sensible, servicable, useable things—for most men find they never have too many of them.

He'd welcome a big comtortable Hart Schaffner & Marx overcoat, Motor Coat or Ulster.

He'd be made glad by a Silk Shirt, a Muffler, Gloves, Hosiery, or some New Neckwear.

He'd smile the smile of satisfaction to find somebody had thought of a Smoking Coat, a Lounging Robe, Handkerchief, a Sweoter, Suspenders—anything to wear.

The gift problem, so far as it concerns things for men' solves itself when you step in this big store---full of the things that men like and would buy for themselves.

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$1,000 REWARD

For the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who polluted the water of the duck pond on B. A. Brown's ranch at Arden Station by pouring crude oil or other substance over the surface thereof.

B. A. BROWN, Newark, Cal.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Executrix of the Estate of C. F, Horner, deceased, to all persons having claims against the said deceased to, within ten (10) months after the first publication of this notice, either file them with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda or exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, to me at the office of W. H. L. Hynes, Court House, Oakland, California, which place the undersigned selects as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

SARAH L. HORNER, Executrix of the Estate of C. F. Horner, Deceased.

Dated Oakland, December 19, 1917.

W. H. L. HYNES, Attorney for Executrix, Court House, Oakland, Calif.

First Publication Dec. 22, 1917.

NOTICE OF HEARING APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE.

Notice is hereby given that Monday the 31th day of December 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the rooms of the Board of Spervisors, in the annex to the Hall of Records in the City of Oakland, has been fixed as the tiue and place for hearing the application T. S. Mello to obtain a renewal of a liquor license for the sale of liquor at Alvarado in Alvarado Election Precinct.

GEO. E. GROSS,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Dated Ooklnd, Cal. Dec. 10th. 1917.
First publication Dec. 15, 1917.

SUMMONS.

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE State of California, in and for the County of Alameda.

HARRY W. DOYLE, Plaintiff, vs. ETHEL DOYLE, Defendant.

Summons.

The People of the State of California to Ethel Doyle, Defendant.

You are hereby directed to appeas and answei the complaint filed in the County of Alameda in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda, within ten days after the service on you of this summons—if served within this County, or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda, this 2nd day of June, 1917.

(Seal) GEO. E. GROSS, Clerk.
By W. E. Adams, Deputy.

F. Segsworth

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